

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below, in which deleted terms are shown with strikethrough and added terms are shown with underscoring.

1. (Original) An engine operated generator comprising a fuel receptacle storing a fuel gas in liquefied state, an engine that receives the fuel gas from the fuel receptacle, a fuel pressure regulator for regulating pressure of the fuel gas supplied from the fuel receptacle to the engine, a generator driven by the engine, and a power control unit for controlling power generated by the generator,

wherein at least one of the fuel receptacle and the fuel pressure regulator is arranged adjacent to the power control unit, for heat exchange with the power control unit.

2. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 1, comprising a fuel storage chamber for storing the fuel receptacle, the fuel storage chamber having a side wall and a heat transfer ~~means~~ device made of a heat conducting material, the fuel receptacle and the side wall being thermally connected via the heat transfer ~~means~~ device, said side wall being disposed adjacent to the power control unit to enable heat exchange with the power control unit.

3. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 2, wherein said heat transfer ~~means~~ device comprises a plurality of columnar members provided between the fuel receptacle and the side wall of the fuel storage chamber ~~[[to be]]~~ in contact with the fuel receptacle and the side wall.

4. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of the fuel receptacle and the fuel pressure regulator is in direct thermal connection with the power control unit via a heat transfer ~~means~~ device made of a material of high heat conductivity.

5. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein the power control unit has an inverter.

6. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, comprising a case forming an internal space for accommodating the fuel receptacle, the engine and the generator; and a cooling air passage for conducting cooling air from said internal space ~~through~~ sequentially past the fuel receptacle, the power control unit in this order, to the generator and the engine to cool the same.

7. (Currently amended) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim ~~[[6]]~~ 12, wherein the fuel pressure regulator and the power control unit are disposed on a side opposite the fuel storage chamber with respect to said side wall, and the power control unit is disposed below the fuel pressure regulator.

8. (Original) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 7, wherein said case has a side wall having an upper edge along which a cooling air inlet passage is provided, and the fuel pressure regulator is provided immediately downstream of the cooling air inlet passage.

9. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 2, wherein the power control unit has an inverter.

10. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 3, wherein the power control unit has an inverter.

11. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 4, wherein the power control unit has an inverter.

12. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 2, comprising a case forming an internal space for accommodating the fuel receptacle, the engine and the generator; and a cooling air passage for conducting cooling air from said internal space sequentially past the fuel receptacle, the power control unit in this order, to the generator and the engine to cool the same.

13. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 3, comprising a case forming an internal space for accommodating the fuel receptacle, the engine and the generator; and a cooling air passage for conducting cooling air from said internal space sequentially past the fuel receptacle, the power control unit in this order, to the generator and the engine to cool the same.

14. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 4, comprising a case forming an internal space for accommodating the fuel receptacle, the engine and the generator; and a cooling air passage for conducting cooling air from said internal space sequentially past the fuel receptacle, the power control unit in this order, to the generator and the engine to cool the same.

15. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 13, wherein the fuel pressure regulator and the power control unit are disposed on a side opposite the fuel storage chamber with respect to said side wall, and the power control unit is disposed below the fuel pressure regulator.

16. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 14, wherein the fuel pressure regulator and the power control unit are disposed on a side opposite the fuel storage chamber with respect to said side wall, and the power control unit is disposed below the fuel pressure regulator.

17. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 15, wherein said case has a side wall having an upper edge along which a cooling air inlet passage is provided, and the fuel pressure regulator is provided immediately downstream of the cooling air inlet passage.

18. (New) The engine operated generator as claimed in claim 16, wherein said case has a side wall having an upper edge along which a cooling air inlet passage is provided, and the fuel pressure regulator is provided immediately downstream of the cooling air inlet passage.